ESG SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The City of Cambridge directs its Emergency Shelter Grant funds toward operation, renovation, and some essential service costs of homeless shelters that serve a vital link in our community's continuum of care for homeless individuals and families.

After issuing a competitive Request for Proposals to homeless service providers in Cambridge, the City awarded its Emergency Shelter Grant funds to eleven agencies providing a range of programs including: emergency shelters for individuals and families, transitional programs, day-time drop-in programs, a battered women's shelter and a van service to transport homeless individuals to shelters with available beds.

Providers draw on a wide array of sources to meet the matching requirements of the ESG program, including state and federal contracts, volunteer time, in-kind contributions of space, and corporate and private contributions.